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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by: (GAE)

AN ACT CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES EMPLOYEES AND RESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 1-217 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):
- 3 (a) No public agency may disclose, under the Freedom of
- 4 Information Act, the residential address of any of the following
- 5 persons if such person has provided the public agency with the written
- 6 <u>notice set forth in subsection (b) of this section:</u>
- 7 (1) A federal court judge, federal court magistrate, judge of the
- 8 Superior Court, Appellate Court or Supreme Court of the state, or
- 9 family support magistrate;
- 10 (2) A sworn member of a municipal police department or a sworn
- 11 member of the Division of State Police within the Department of Public
- 12 Safety;

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- 14 (4) An attorney-at-law who represents or has represented the state
- 15 in a criminal prosecution;
- 16 (5) An attorney-at-law who is or has been employed by the Public
- 17 Defender Services Division or a social worker who is employed by the
- 18 Public Defender Services Division;
- 19 (6) An inspector employed by the Division of Criminal Justice;
- 20 (7) A firefighter;
- 21 (8) An employee of the Department of Children and Families;
- 22 (9) A member or employee of the Board of Parole;
- 23 (10) An employee of the judicial branch; [or]
- 24 (11) A member or employee of the Commission on Human Rights
- 25 and Opportunities;
- 26 (12) An employees of the Office of the Victim Advocate; or
- 27 (13) An employee of the Department of Mental Health and
- 28 Addiction Services.
- 29 (b) Any person listed in subsection (a) of this section who seeks to
- 30 prevent a public agency from disclosing the persons' residential
- 31 address shall give the public agency written notice that the person is
- 32 included in the list set forth in subsection (a) of this section and that
- 33 the person does not want such residential address disclosed under the
- 34 Freedom of Information Act. The written notice shall include the
- 35 person's residential address.
- 36 [(b)] (c) The business address of any person described in this section
- 37 shall be subject to disclosure under section 1-210, as amended. The
- 38 provisions of this section shall not apply to Department of Motor

39 Vehicles records described in section 14-10, as amended.

| This act shall take effect as follows: | |
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| Section 1 | October 1, 2004 |

Statement of Purpose:

To afford employees of the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services the same protections against harassment as employees of the Department of Correction and the Department of Children and Families.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]